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By: **Delegate Haddaway-Riccio**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Occupations – Electrical Inspectors – Master Electrician License**
3 **Required**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State, a county, or a municipal corporation to employ
5 as electrical inspectors only individuals who hold, or have previously held
6 within a certain period of time under certain circumstances, a State license or
7 local license, as applicable, to provide electrical services as a master electrician;
8 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to licensing
9 requirements for electrical inspectors.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
12 Section 6–101(a), (g), (h), and (k)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
17 Section 6–313
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

22 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

23 6–101.

24 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (g) “Local license” means, unless the context requires otherwise, a license
2 that is issued by a local board to provide electrical services as a master electrician.

3 (h) “Master electrician” means an individual who has the experience,
4 knowledge, and skill to provide electrical services in all aspects of the electrical trade,
5 in a manner that complies with applicable plans, specifications, codes, or law.

6 (k) “State license” means a license that is issued by the State Board to a
7 master electrician.

8 6–313.

9 (A) **THE STATE, A COUNTY, OR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY**
10 **EMPLOY AN INDIVIDUAL AS AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR ONLY IF THE**
11 **INDIVIDUAL:**

12 (1) **HOLDS A STATE LICENSE OR LOCAL LICENSE, AS APPLICABLE;**
13 **OR**

14 (2) **PREVIOUSLY HELD WITHIN THE LAST 5 YEARS, A STATE**
15 **LICENSE OR LOCAL LICENSE, AS APPLICABLE, THAT WAS NOT SUSPENDED OR**
16 **REVOKED.**

17 [(a)] (B) An individual may not have any financial interest in any electrical
18 business while employed by the State, a county, or a local government as an electrical
19 inspector.

20 [(b)] (C) (1) On appointment or employment as an electrical inspector,
21 the individual:

22 (i) shall place the State license of the individual on inactive
23 status; and

24 (ii) except for the renewal fee, shall meet the inactive status
25 requirements of § 6–311 of this subtitle.

26 (2) The State Board may issue an electrical inspector identification
27 card to an electrical inspector who has placed the State license on inactive status.

28 (3) The State Board may not charge a fee to issue the identification
29 card.

30 [(c)] (D) The State Board may change the status of an electrical inspector to
31 individual inactive status, if the electrical inspector:

1 (1) meets the inactive status requirements of § 6–311 of this subtitle;
2 and

3 (2) pays an inactive status fee of \$50.

4 **[(d)] (E)** On termination of the appointment or employment of an individual
5 as an electrical inspector, the State Board shall reactivate the State license of the
6 individual who is on inactive status, without examination, if the individual meets the
7 reactivation requirements for a State license under § 6–311(f) of this subtitle,
8 including payment of the reactivation fee.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be
10 construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have
11 any effect on or application to any electrical inspector employed by the State, a county,
12 or a municipal corporation before the effective date of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2012.